

REMARKS

Claims 7, 9, 11-13, 15-32, 35-38, 40, 41, 43-58, 64, 66-73, 75-77, 79-87, 89-113, 115-118, 120, 121, 123-128, 130-133, and 137-170 are pending in the Application. Claims 9, 11-13, 15-32, 35, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43-58, 64, 66-71, 82-87, and 89-108 were allowed. Claims 7, 36, 72, 73, 75-77, 79-81, 109-112, 115-118, 120, 121, 123-128, 130-133, 137-144, and 146-170 were rejected.

Claims 113 and 145 were objected to. The Applicant has added new independent claims 171-172, which are based on the objected to claims 113 and 145. The Applicant submits that the newly added claims 171-172 are allowable.

The Applicant has cancelled claims 1-8, 10, 14, 33-34, 36, 39, 42, 59-63, 65, 72-81, 88, and 109-170. The Applicant reserves the right to prosecute any of the cancelled claims in a subsequent continuation or divisional application.

Claims 9, 11-13, 15-31, 35, 37-38, 40-41, 43-58, 64, 66-71, 82-87, and 89-108 have been amended, as set forth above, to correct for minor typographical errors. No new matter has been introduced by the above amendments to the claims.

The Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims 9, 11-13, 15-32, 35, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43-58, 64, 66-71, 82-87, 89-108, and 171-172 are allowable.

CONCLUSION

Based on at least the foregoing, Applicant believes that all pending claims 9, 11-13, 15-32, 35, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43-58, 64, 66-71, 82-87, 89-108, and 171-172 are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fee(s) or credit overpayment(s) to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

A Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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